

REMARKS

The present amendment is prepared in accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.121. A complete listing of all the claims in the application is shown above showing the status of each claim. Applicant appreciates the thoroughness with which the Examiner has examined the above-identified application. A Petition for Extension of Time and Accompanying Fee is also submitted herewith. Reconsideration is requested in view of the remarks below.

No new matter has been added.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 10-16

Applicant appreciates the allowance of claims 10-16. In light of this allowance, Applicant has elected to cancel claims 1-9 and claims 17-25 in this application. Applicant intends to continue prosecution of the rejected claims in a continuation application being filed simultaneously with this amendment.

In view of the foregoing, and under the applicable patent law, it is respectfully submitted that the claims are properly allowable and should be allowed to issue.

Respectfully submitted,



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